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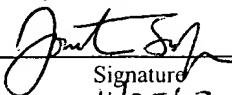
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Case No. 7814/42

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Milan Mrksich et al.

Serial No: 09/689,263

Examiner: David M. Naff

Filed: October 11, 2000

Group Art Unit: 1651

For: Surface Modifying Composition

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated July 29, 2003 for a period of one month(s).

Applicant:

claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

is other than small entity

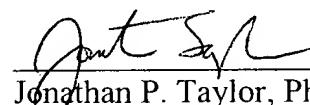
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Month	\$110.00	\$55.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Five Months	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

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- Attached is a check for \$55 for the Petition fee.
- Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$ for the Petition fee.
- Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 11/25/03

  
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